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The current address of Vtorygin Accredited to the Department of the Navy," published by the Foreign Liaison Section, Office of Naval Intelligence, lists Comodor Ley A. Vtorygin as an Assistant Naval Attaché, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Washington, D.C. ~~(u)~~ (u)

On January 7, 1964, a confidential source advised that [REDACTED] Vtorygin at his residence that day during which arrangements were made to meet for lunch at 12:30 p.m., the following day, January 8, 1964, at a local Washington, D.C. restaurant. Vtorygin stated that he was presently confined to bed with the flu and he would make every effort to meet [REDACTED] as his sickness did not permit. He appeared extremely pleased to hear from [REDACTED] stating that he thought the source had forgotten him. ~~(u)~~ (u)

On January 9, 1964, this source advised that [REDACTED] met Vtorygin at approximately 12:45 p.m., on January 8, 1964, in accordance with previously made arrangements. He described the meeting as extremely cordial with no apparent stiffness due to the lengthy period since their last meeting. ~~(u)~~ (u)

They discussed the assassination of President Kennedy and the murder of accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald. Vtorygin commented he considered it virtually impossible to have prevented the assassination, but considered the subsequent slaying of Oswald to be inexplicable. He commented "we should never have let this happen." Source stated that in the past Vtorygin had always been quick to chide him on incidents embarrassing to this country, but was considerably more solicitous in this instance. The source noted that this has been the first time that Vtorygin seemed to associate himself in some degree with the people of this country whom he included himself in those to blame for Oswald's murder. ~~(u)~~ (u)

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They discussed the possibility that both of these deaths may have been part of a political plot with both agreeing that it was possible, but not probable. ~~(S)(u)~~

Vtorygin commented that it looked very much like he would remain in this country for another year, which prompted ~~██████████~~ to again comment to the effect that if Vtorygin did leave this country, he will be taking out naturalization papers. Thereupon the source again asked what the source meant by that. ~~██████████~~ passed it off and changed the subject. ~~(S)(u)~~

Vtorygin, when asked about assignment he accepted after his tour in the United States, suggested that he would continue in diplomatic work, since he did not think he had enough experience to warrant command of a Naval vessel. Vtorygin stated he hoped to remain in the Soviet Union for at least a year or two before accepting another foreign assignment, but this was seen from continuity. ~~(S)(u)~~

Vtorygin stated that it would be almost impossible for him to travel to the United States ~~██████████~~ since it was within an area closed to Soviet travel. He added that even if the trip were possible, that his wife could not accompany him since she is now working part-time at the Soviet Embassy. ~~(S)(u)~~

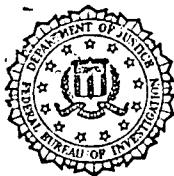
Vtorygin did not believe that his daughter would be allowed to visit in the United States during the coming year, however, plans were made for a reunion of their respective families if she were allowed to visit. ~~(S)(u)~~

Vtorygin implied ~~██████████~~ to contact him immediately upon his next visit to Washington, D.C. so they could "do the town," and the source promised to do so. ~~(R)(u)~~

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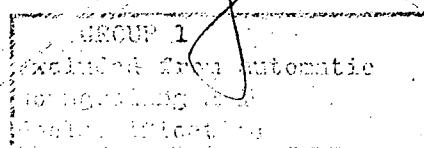
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